

A Last Word About the Alliance Rally, Saturday, 27th.

Editors Progressive Farmer

This is the last week in which we can work for the Alliance Rally, the 27th.

How are you going to spend the week? The success of the day will depend very much on how you answer the question. The burden now rests on your shoulders. I have done what I can to make the meeting a success, and now leave it with you to carry to a successful completion or to permit it to fail, as you may decide. If the venture is not a success, so far as you are concerned, the word "failure" shall be written over your door and not over mine.

However, there are many, very many, who say there shall be no failure in their neighborhoods. They have adopted the suggestion to make next Saturday, the 27th, a genuine rally day for the Alliance, and are working to make it a complete success. Within the last days I have had letters from five or six different counties asking for blanks and information in regard to the proposed work on that day. In several of these counties there has not been an active Alliance in years, but the writers of the letters say that this shall not be true of their neighborhoods after this week.

Now, dear reader, are you not as much interested in building up the agricultural interests and the welfare of the farmers of your neighborhood, as the people who have written me are in theirs? And yet, your silence seems to indicate you are not. However, your silence does not necessarily mean you are not at work. I hope that is the case.

I shall not now reiterate the value, to the farmers, of organization, and the inestimable value the Alliance could be to them. Of that you are familiar, and you admit it, often by saying you are a good Allianceman and believe in its purposes, and would be a member now, but there is no Alliance in your neighborhood.

Whose fault is it that there is none there, and whose fault will it be if there is still none after next Saturday? Of course, there are but few who will say this, but to those few this is intended as personal so as to excite them to get to work and do their full duty. Read the first and second chapter of James and act accordingly.

However, the 27th is not the only day on which the Alliance can be re-organized. The weather may be unpropitious or for other cause you may not hold a meeting on the day suggested. In that event select some other day that will be most convenient for you and your people. Simply do not give up, but organize.

If you can do nothing else, meet for general discussion of the subject, appoint a chairman and secretary of the meeting and report the same to me. I will then give further instruction.

With the present labor, weather, and other conditions that are confronting the farmers, there ought to be a meeting and in every county in

the State, and attended by every farmer in the county, for general consultation in regard to the year's work. If the farmers of the State were thoroughly organized, such a meeting could be called and held within three weeks. There would then be a channel through which to send the call to make it effective. Under existing conditions there are no such means of reaching all the farmers. If we wish to make agriculture the success we hope to see it, and if we wish to improve the conditions of country life so as to keep our brighter boys and girls on the farm we must do something toward that end. Organization is the only means by which we may reasonably hope to accomplish our purposes, and the Alliance is the only farmers' organization in the State actively at work for the betterment and uplifting of the farmers. Will you give it the benefit of your influence and active co-operation?

T. B. PARKER,
Secretary.

Raleigh, N. C.

Following is the list of officers of Pitt County Alliance mentioned in last week's Progressive Farmer:

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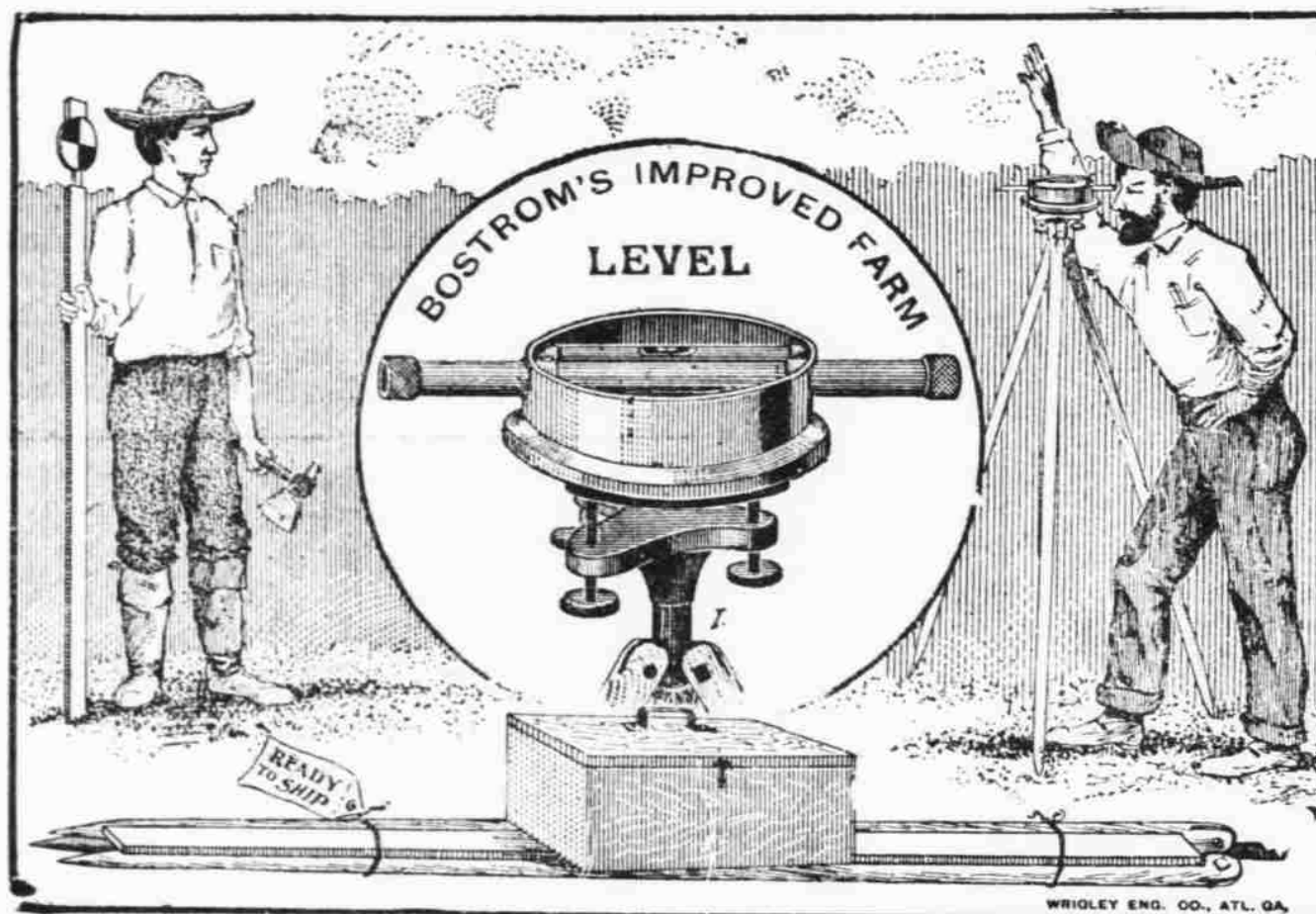
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